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Allied Paper, Inc /Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site
Time-Critical Removal Action – Former Plainwell Impoundment
Monthly Report (June 2009)

Dear Mike

Attached is the 28th monthly progress report for the Allied Paper, Inc /Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site Time-Critical Removal Action (TCRA) This progress report is submitted in accordance with Section 19A of the February 2007 Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent (AOC) for Removal Action (Docket No V-W-07-C-863)

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me

Sincerely,

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**MONTHLY REPORT FOR THE ALLIED PAPER, INC./PORTAGE CREEK/
KALAMAZOO RIVER SUPERFUND SITE
TIME-CRITICAL REMOVAL ACTION – FORMER PLAINWELL IMPOUNDMENT**

REPORT #28, JUNE 2009

**PREPARED BY ARCADIS
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ON BEHALF OF THE KALAMAZOO RIVER STUDY GROUP

SUBMITTED TO

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**Monthly Report for the Allied Paper, Inc./Portage Creek/
Kalamazoo River Superfund Site TCRA – Former Plainwell Impoundment**

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Significant Developments and Activities During the Period

- On June 1, the Kalamazoo River Study Group (KRSG) submitted to Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) Notices of Completion for permit numbers 06-03-0109-P and 06-03-0076-P. The permits were opened in 2006 to install fill in wetland areas for test borings as a part of TCRA investigation, design, and construction activities.
- On June 8, the KRSG hosted a media event to announce the completion of the Plainwell TCRA.
- On June 15, the KRSG submitted to United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) the 27th *Monthly Report for the Allied Paper, Inc./Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site TCRA* for May 2009.
- On June 18, USEPA submitted to the KRSG a letter titled *Completion of Work Associated with Mobilization and First Year Construction Allied Paper/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site Time-Critical Removal Action-Former Plainwell Impoundment* providing written notification that all work associated with mobilization and first year construction activities had successfully been completed.
- On June 26, the KRSG, USEPA, MDEQ, and Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) performed the first annual inspection of the banks at the TCRA site.

Data Collected and Field Activities Conducted During the Period

- During June, restoration activities were completed in Removal Areas 12A, 13A, 13B, and near the former Plainwell Dam. Restoration activities included the placement of topsoil and mulch, seeding, installation of an erosion control blanket, and planting of trees and shrubs.
- During the week of June 22, the KRSG inspected the banks at the TCRA site.
- No data were collected in June.

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Laboratory Data Received During the Period

- No laboratory data were received in June
- The KRSG is not currently awaiting any analytical data

Issues Encountered and Actions Taken

- In April, the KRSG inspected the bank restoration areas at the Plainwell TCRA site. On May 13, the KRSG, MDNR, MDEQ, Michigan Department of the Attorney General, NOAA, USFWS, and Stratus performed a site walk to inspect bank restoration areas at the Plainwell TCRA. During the inspection, erosion was identified in parts of Removal Areas 8, 9, and 10. MDNR submitted photographs from the inspection to USEPA, who then submitted the photographs to the KRSG on May 19 and 27. The erosion areas identified were consistent with the areas previously identified by the KRSG during their inspection. The KRSG and USEPA performed a site walk on May 28 to inspect the areas. The KRSG reviewed the areas and discussed a plan to address the eroded areas with USEPA and MDNR at the first annual inspection of the banks in June.

Developments Anticipated During the Next Reporting Period

- During the week of July 1, the KRSG is scheduled to submit to the MDEQ notification that the water treatment systems have been eliminated and that Substantive Requirements Document MIU990025 can be terminated.
- No other activities are scheduled for July.